#### 18. Warning Signs Posted, Required Information 3CCR § 6782(c)

Scope: Employees at a fumigant use site.

Verify that warning signs are posted prior to the commencement of fumigation. Warning signs shall be posted in plainly visible locations on or in the immediate vicinity of all entrances to the space under fumigation. Signs shall not be removed until fumigation and ventilation have been completed. The signs must indicate the date and time of fumigation injection, name of the fumigant, address and telephone number of the applicator performing the fumigation. Warning signs must be of specific letter size and design.

Exemptions: Exemption not applicable to this inspection.

### 19. Treated Area / Products Managed 3CCR § 6782(f)

Scope: Employees at a fumigant use site.

After the completion of the fumigation, the treated area shall be managed to prevent employee exposure. How is the treated area being managed? What precautions were taken to protect the worker(s) from being exposed to a concentration in excess of the PEL? If the product labeling has more stringent requirements, make sure the requirements are met.

Ask and observe how the fumigated product is managed to prevent exposure from off gassing. For information on PELs go to <a href="http://www.dir.ca.gov/Title8/5155table\_ac1.html">http://www.dir.ca.gov/Title8/5155table\_ac1.html</a>).

Exemptions: Exemption not applicable to this inspection.

## **20.** Methyl Bromide and/or Chloropicrin – Properly Sealed Space 3CCR § 6453(a)

Scope: Methyl Bromide and/or chloropicrin use on nursery stock or other agricultural commodities, potting soil, soil mixes, appliances, or equipment.

The fumigation shall be done in a properly sealed fumigation chamber, railroad car, truck trailer, or under a gas-confining tarp approved by the commissioner or Director. Refer to permit conditions for specific tarp requirements and method of sealing. Check structure or tarp and seals. If aeration ducts are used, ask how they are sealed. Evaluate that the fumigant is injected in a manner that minimizes gas loss.

Exemptions: None.

#### 21. Accurate Measurement 3CCR § 6604

Scope: Weighing or measuring any concentrate pesticides.

Are pesticides being accurately weighed or measured? Are the measuring devices calibrated to the smallest unit in which the concentrate is being used?

Ask the applicator how he/she adjusts the flow meter to achieve the desired rate. Document your observations (equipment and manufacturer's name and how the fumigant introduced is measured).

Exemptions: Pesticides packaged and labeled as ready-to-use.

#### 22. Protection of Persons / Animals / Property 3CCR § 6614

Scope: Application of any pesticide.

Prior to and while making the application, has the applicator evaluated the equipment, weather conditions, and area (both target and surrounding areas) to determine the likelihood of damage or contamination? High winds, inversions, proximity to residential areas or other gatherings of people and other sensitive sites are examples of conditions which may increase the hazard potential of the application. Are there any fieldworkers near the site during the pesticide application? Even though there may not be drift, consider if there is:

- A reasonable possibility of the contamination of persons not involved in the application.
- A reasonable possibility of damage or contamination to non-target crops, animals (including bees), or property.

Exemptions: Public agencies or their contractors operating under a cooperative agreement with the Department of Public Health pursuant to section 116180 of the Health and Safety Code are exempt from the provisions of 3CCR § 6614(b)(1). (3CCR § 6620)

# **23.** Equipment Registered PCB FAC § 11732

Scope: Equipment used by PCBs to mix or apply any pesticide.

Verify that equipment is registered with the CAC.

#### Exemptions:

- Equipment used for structural pest control. (FAC § 11531)
- Other exemptions not applicable to this inspection.

### **24.** Equipment Identified PCB 3CCR § 6630.

Scope: Vehicles (such as trucks, tractors or trailers) used for mixing or applying any pesticides by an agricultural or structural pest control business.